IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

The PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)
Plaintiff,)
v.))
) Case No. 08 C 04210
COUNTRYWIDE FINANCIAL CORPORATION,)
COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., FULL) Judge Elaine E. Bucklo
SPECTRUM LENDING, COUNTRYWIDE HOME)
LOANS SERVICING, LP, and ANGELO MOZILO,)
)
Defendants.)

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO REMAND

The Plaintiff, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, by Lisa Madigan, Attorney General of Illinois, hereby responds to Defendant's Notice of Removal pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1331, 1334, 1367, 1441, 1442, 1446 and 1452, with this Motion to Remand pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1447, 1452(b) and 1334(c). In support thereof, Plaintiff states as follows:

- 1. The People of the State of Illinois, through Attorney General Lisa Madigan, properly brought suit against Defendants for violation of the Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Practices Act, 815 ILCS 505/1 *et seq.*, and the Illinois Fairness in Lending Act, 815 ILCS 120/1 *et seq.*, in the County Department, Chancery Division, of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois.
- 2. Defendants removed Plaintiff's cause of action based on (1) federal question jurisdiction, (2) federal officer removal, and (3) bankruptcy jurisdiction.

- 3. There is no federal jurisdiction over Plaintiff's cause of action under any of the theories cited by Defendants, and removal was improper.
- 4. Plaintiff incorporates herein by reference its Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion to Remand.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated in its Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion to Remand, the Plaintiff requests that this Court remand its cause of action to the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois and grant such other relief as this Court deems appropriate.

Dated: August 20, 2008 Respectfully submitted,

> LISA MADIGAN, IN HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL OF ILLINOIS,

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